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### **Temple Parks and Leisure Services Offers a Variety of New Summer Camps**

(Temple) – Summer is just around the corner and parents are already looking for safe and fun activities that will keep their children active all summer long. This summer, the Temple Parks and Leisure Services Department is offering 16 summer camps to meet the needs of the community.

“We are offering the popular summer day camps, Camp Heatwave, Horizon and Horizon 2.0, Summit’s Camptastic, and Sammons Junior Golf Academy along with new specialized week-long camps that are guaranteed to offer something for everyone to enjoy,” said Chuck Ramm, Recreation Superintendent.

“It was our goal to develop summer programs that fit the needs of the community,” said Program Coordinator Belinda Garcia. “By creating eight new specialty camps, we believe we have done just that.”

“We surveyed parents at the end of last summer to find out what types of programs they would like to see for their children,” said Camp Heatwave Coordinator Peanut Henderson. “From the data collected, we spent lots of time developing these new camps.”

Some of the new camps include Kinder Kamp, Cowboy Camp, Bling It On Day Camp, and Flippin’ Fun Gymnastics Camp. “Stay at home moms or dads may not have the need for an all day camp, but they still want their children to have social interaction,” said Ramm. “Our week long camps take place from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m., leaving quality time to spend with their parent.”

Camp Heatwave provides campers with a broad range of activities: archery, camping, hiking, canoeing, scuba diving, swimming, disc golf, racquetball, and much more. “Camp Heatwave is an award winning camp that kids look forward to every summer. It is one of our most popular camps,” said Ramm.

“All of the camps have a limited amount of spaces so the key is to sign up early to reserve your child’s space,” continued Ramm.

Camp Horizon and Horizon 2.0 will be held at Tarver Elementary School in West Temple. The camp’s focus is to expose kids to art, music, and science. Each week campers will engage in activities based around a

different theme. “Our themes will range from agriculture, to caves and fossils,” said Camp Coordinator Brock Boone. “We have fun activities and field trips related to each week’s theme.”

The Sammons Junior Golf Academy is a weeklong camp at Sammons Golf Links where ages six to 17 will learn the skills, rules, and beauty of the game.

Summit’s Camptastic is held at the Summit Family Fitness Center and features fun activities and weekly field trips.

Regardless of which camp parents sign their kids up for, the basic experience will be the same. “You can be sure that your kids won’t be sitting around watching movies at any of our camps,” said Ramm. “Every day they are going to go home exhausted and excited for the next day.”

Registration can be done in two ways: online at [www.templetx.gov/camps](http://www.templetx.gov/camps) or in person at the Wilson Park Recreation Center (2205 Curtis B. Elliott Drive). Registration is done on-site at the Summit Family Fitness Center for the Summit’s Camptastic (or call 298-5430) and at Sammons Golf Links for the Sammons Junior Golf Academy (or call 771-2030).

For more information about Temple Parks and Leisure Services summer camps, please visit [www.templetx.gov/camps](http://www.templetx.gov/camps) or contact Program Coordinator Brock Boone at 254.298.5737.

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